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Sent: 12/16/2016 11:26:01 AM
To: Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com
Subject: RE: National Program

Robert -

Have you heard anything back in response to your email below?

The EPA-ARB team has a monthly overall coordination call which this month is on this upcoming Monday, and I have put the Detroit auto show on the agenda, so I will be pushing for us to make a decision on which date and time frame would make sense for a meeting. I know for EPA it will probably Chris and I, as Karl is coming in for the Monday tour, but has a commitment back in DC on Tuesday.

Thanks
 Bill

-----Original Message-----

From: Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com [mailto:Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com]
 Sent: Friday, December 09, 2016 3:13 PM
 To: Nichols, Mary D. @ARB <mary.nichols@arb.ca.gov>
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Tuesday (1/10) afternoon? Wednesday (1/11) morning? Honda has an office one block away from Cobo Hall and we can probably host.

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On Dec 9, 2016, at 12:06 PM, Nichols, Mary D. @ARB <mary.nichols@arb.ca.gov> wrote:

Yes and yes, I agree.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Dec 9, 2016, at 11:44 AM, "Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com"
 <Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com> wrote:
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 > Mary:
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 > Rumor has it that you are planning to attend the Detroit Auto Show.
 > Any chance for a follow-up discussion? I realize things look pretty
 > grim,
 > but
 > I am an optimist, and maybe good things can be forged at times like
 these.
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 > Mike@ARB" <michael.mccarthy@arb.ca.gov>
 > Date: 11/11/2016 11:58 AM
 > Subject: Re: National Program

> Dear Robert,

> In light of Tuesday's earthquake in national leadership and
 > direction, compounded by what I can only call an outrageous backdoor
 > reversal of industry's long term insistence that California's ZEV
 > mandate not be part of the national GHG/fuel economy program, I can't
 > see going ahead with next Friday's meeting.
 > As you know, in times of upheaval, personal relationships are more
 > important than ever. I value the dialogue you and I have had over many
 > years, and I don't intend to punish you and John for something I very
 > much

> doubt you are responsible for. But the fact is we need some time to
 > regroup in light of the threat to slow down or derail the MTR.
 > I doubt this issue is at the top of the President-elect's to-do list,
 > and

I
 > am not ready to assume the worst, but wild uncertainty--exacerbated by
 > stuff like Mitch's unfortunate letter--does not create an environment
 > conducive to creative problem solving.

> Best personal regards,
 > Mary

> Sent from my iPhone

>> On Nov 11, 2016, at 5:30 AM, "Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com"
 > <Robert_Bienenfeld@ahm.honda.com> wrote:

>> Mary, Chris:

>> I just spent Wednesday at EPA in Ann Arbor, and Thursday at NHTSA in DC.
 >> There is a lot of uncertainty, right now.

>> John Viera and I have talked about this and we very much want to keep
 >> our

>> next meeting, scheduled for Friday, Nov 18th, 10am-12pm. We will
 >> host

> Mary
 >> and John Viera at Honda in Torrance, and the others will tie in by
 >> video.

>> It seems to me that our discussions are just as important as ever,
 >> but
 > with
 >> different partners than we expected.

>> The Alliance has just sent a provocative letter to the Trump
 >> transition team. However, we need to engage cooler heads who can keep
 >> their eyes focused on our long-term, global goals. The auto industry
 >> has an
 > interest
 >> in the stability of regulations, in national programs, and in the
 >> continuity of our investments.

>> John and I are in alignment about our optimism for the potential of
 >> these
 >> discussions and we hope you feel the same way.

>> Regards,

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